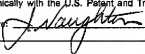


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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Dear Sir:

This paper is timely filed on March 17, 2008 in response to the Office Action dated January 28, 2008, which was designed final. Applicants request reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

A request for continued examination (RCE) accompanies this paper.